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- [] Applicant hereby petitions for a *three-month extension* and entry of this Amendment which is sent within the third month after the due date of November 19, 2005. The payment of \$510.00 to cover the three-month extension is enclosed herewith.

Response to Office Action Mailed August 19, 2005

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I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 19, 2005.

Applicant requests a three month extension. Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$510.00 to cover the cost thereof.

In response to the Office Action, please make the following amendments.